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1. CYPRIOT: PEACE APPEARS TO BE SLOWLY RETURNING TO CYPRIOT WITH ONLY A FEW REMNANTS OF CONTINUING CONFLICT TO BE SEEN.

REPRESENTATIVES OF BRITISH, GREEK, AND TURKISH GOVERNMENTS AND OF TWO CYPRIOT COMMITTEES HAVE BEEN MEETING TOGETHER IN POLITICAL LIAISON COMMITTEE. BRITISH HAVE TRIED TO ESTABLISH JOINT BRITISH-GREEK-TURKISH PATROLS TO POLICE CHASE-FIRE. BRITISH PATROLS HAVE OCCUPIED ADDITIONAL STRONG POINTS BETWEEN THE GREEK AND TURKISH QUARTERS IN NICOSIA.

BOTH ETHNIC COMMUNITIES DISCOUNT POSSIBILITY OF RETURNING TO POLITICAL STATUS QUO ANTE. PRESIDENT MAKARICH, WHO ANTICIPATES SUPPORT OF ATHENS, CONTINUES TO CALL FOR REVISING CONSTITUTION WHICH HE TERMS "UNWORKABLE."

**THERE IS GROWING SUPPORT IN ATHENS AND AMONG GREEK CYPRIO**

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LEADERS FOR REJECTION OF BOTH GREEK AND TURKISH CLAIMS ON ISLAND--INCLUDING THE TWO MILITARY GARRISONS--IN FAVOR OF UNILATERAL BRITISH GRANTING OF CYPRIOT INDEPENDENCE.

TURKISH CYPRIOTS, WITH AMMANA'S SUPPORT, HAVE SENTED THEIR DEMANDS FOR PARTITION OF ISLAND. TURKISH FOREIGN MINISTER ERKIN HAS SAID PARTITION IS ONE OF SEVERAL POSSIBILITIES BUT MAINTAINS THAT SOME "RADICAL" SOLUTION IS NECESSARY. (CONF)

2. KENYA-SOMALIA: DISPUTE BETWEEN KENYA AND SOMALIA OVER CONTROL OF KENYA'S NORTHEASTERN REGION SEEMS LIKELY TO SHARPEN.

SOMALI TERRORISTS HAVE BEEN PARTICULARLY ACTIVE SINCE KENYA BECAME INDEPENDENT OF BRITAIN ON 12 DEC. LAST WEEK KENYA GOVERNMENT'S DECLARING STATE OF EMERGENCY INDICATES IT BELIEVES IT MUST REACT DECISIVELY TO ACTIVITIES OF SOMALI INHABITANTS AND CROSS-BORDER RAIDERS.

KENYATTA REPORTEDLY SAID KENYAN FORCES WILL NOT RESORT TO "HOT PURSUIT" ACROSS SOMALI BORDER, SINCE THIS WOULD PERMIT SOMALIS TO INTERNATIONALIZE SITUATION, PERHAPS BY APPEAL TO UN. OBSERVERS ARE SKEPTICAL KENYAN AUTHORITIES CAN CONTROL SITUATION BY PATROLLING THE FIVE-MILE-DEEP "DEAD ZONE"

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THEY PROCLAIMED ALONG 450-MILE BORDER.

ONE LIKELY IMMEDIATE EFFECT KENYAN DECLARATION STATE OF EMERGENCY IS BRING SOMALI GOVERNMENT UNDER PRESSURE GIVE MORE SUPPORT TO GUERRILLAS

ONE REPORT STATES THAT IN MID DEC HOGARISCIO HAD ALREADY GIVEN THE GUERRILLAS SOME 500 CARRIERS AND 7,000 BOMBING AMMUNITION. CONTINUED SUPPORT, EVEN ON THIS RELATIVELY SMALL SCALE, COULD RESULT IN PROLONGED GUERRILLA WAR AND SEVERE ECONOMIC STRAIN ON KENYA//

ETHIOPIA AND KENYA APPARENTLY ARE CARRYING OUT LAST JULY'S JOINT DEFENSE PACT, AIMED AT CONTAINING SOMALI INSURGENCY IN BOTH COUNTRIES. ETHIOPIAN MISSION INCLUDING SEVERAL HIGH-RANKING MILITARY OFFICERS LEFT FOR NAIROBI 20 DEC. SOMALI REPUBLIC, WHICH HAS BITTERLY OPPOSED ETHIOPIAN-KENYAN DEFENSE PACT, WILL LIKELY STEP UP SUPPORT OF INSURGENTS IN BOTH KENYA AND ETHIOPIA WHEN IT HEARS OF THIS MOVE.

3. GHANA-USSR: //REPORTS THAT GHANA IS DEVELOPING CLOSER TIES WITH USSR, ESPECIALLY IN MILITARY FIELD, CONTINUE TO ACCUMULATE.//

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//INDICATIONS ARE GRAMMARS ARE CONSIDERING FORMING WITH SOVIET  
HELP A NEW MILITARY UNIT SEPARATE FROM OTHER COMPONENTS OF GHANAIAN  
ARMY. NERUHAN PROMINENT CONSIDERS REGULAR UNITS POLITICALLY UN-  
RELIABLE BECAUSE THEY ARE VETERAN-TRAINED.//

//SUCH ARRANGEMENT WOULD PROBABLY BRING SOVIET OFFICERS TO  
GHANA TO TRAIN AND EQUIP UNIT OF FERRING INFANTRY REGIMENT. PROJECT ALONG  
THESE LINES REPORTED EARLY 1963 APPROVED BY NERUHAN BUT NEVER MATERIALIZED  
OTHER RECENT REPORTS STATE NERUHAN'S GOVERNMENT CONSIDERING SOVIET RE-  
QUEST TO LEASE AREA AT TEMA HARBOR, GHANA'S SEENEN PORT EAST OF ACCRA.//

//THESE REPORTS, AND OTHERS WHICH INDICATE NERUHAN OBTAINED SOVIET  
ASSISTANCE IN DEVELOPMENT OF HIS SECURITY AND INTELLIGENCE SERVICES,  
FOLLOW SPEECH LAST MONTH IN WHICH GHANAIAN LEADER EXHIBITED STRONGER  
SENSE OF KINSHIP WITH COMMUNIST WORLD THAN PREVIOUSLY. OVER PAST FEW  
MONTHS, NERUHAN EXTENDED SCOPE OF INFLUENCE OF HIS MILITANTLY PRO-  
COMMUNIST ADVISERS.//

4. INDIA: RECENT VICTORY OF PEIPING ORIENTED INDIAN COMMUNIST IN  
BY ELECTION FOR WEST BENGAL STATE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY SUGGESTS POPULAR  
APPEAL OF INDIAN COMMUNIST PARTY LEFT WING REMAINS LARGELY INTACT DESPITE

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CHINESE INVASION OF OCT 1962. AS IN PAST MOST INDIAN VOTERS APPARENTLY DID NOT IDENTIFY COMMUNIST CANDIDATE WITH ANY FOREIGN AID INFLUENCE.

PARTY'S STRENGTH THIS CONTEST WILL BOOST MORALE OF INFLUENTIAL WEST BENGAL COMMUNIST PARTY WHICH FRACTURIALIZED BY SQUABBLING BETWEEN LEFTIST LEADERS, WHO CONTROLLED PARTY BEFORE CHINESE ATTACK BUT WERE JAILED AFTERWARD, AND RIGHTISTS WHO SUCCEEDED LEFTISTS TO HIERARCHY. MORE RECENTLY BOTH FACTIONS LEADERS INTERESTED IN DEGREE OF RECONCILIATION WERE ABLE UNITE SUPPORTING SUCCESSFUL BY ELECTION CANDIDATE.

//INTRA PARTY DIFFICULTIES MAY SOON BECOME MORE COMPLEX. WEST BENGAL GOVERNMENT REPORTEDLY AGREED "IN PRINCIPLE" RELEASE 112 COMMUNISTS SOME OF WHOM RADICALS WHO WOULD SPLIT PARTY RATHER THAN COMPROMISE WHILE MOST INFLUENTIAL APPEAR WILLING SUPPORT PARTY UNITY FOR MOMENT HOPING CAPTURE INTACT WEST BENGAL PARTY AND EVENTUALLY THE NATIONAL PARTY.//

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